Village Union for Perumpavoor.

40. *Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether any representations have been made to the Government for the establishment of a Village Union in Perumpavoor pakuthy; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (a) is in the affirmative, when was the same received and what action has been taken by Government in the matter?

Mr. K. Kunjan Pillai: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) 10-10-41. Village Panchayats and Village Unions being more or less identical institutions in point of their functions and powers it was considered unnecessary to convert the existing Panchayat into a Union. For improving the working of the Panchayat, the Headmaster of the local English High School has been appointed Chairman in the place of the local Sub-Registrar.

Mr. P. R. Godavarma Raja (*Edavaga*): May I know whether there is any difference at all between a Village Panchayat and a Village Union?

Mr. K. Kunjan Pillai: The one is governed by the Village Panchayat Act and the other by the Village Unions Act.

President: There is some difference between the constitution of these organisations, otherwise their functions are more or less identical.

Applicants for L. T. Course.

41. *Mr. M. K. Ananthasiva Aiyar (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of private school teachers who applied for admission to the L. T. course in 1942;

(*b*) the number recruited from among them for training;

(*c*) the date on which orders recruiting them were issued; and

(*d*) the date on which the Training College re-opened?

Mr. A. Gopala Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*):

(*a*) 90.

(*b*) 49.

(*c*) 30th May 1942.

(*d*) 8th June 1942.

Mr. M. K. Ananthasiva Aiyar: May I know whether it is not possible to make the recruitment earlier in order that substitutes might be appointed in those institutions?

Mr. A. Gopala Menon: Every effort is made, Sir, to make the selections as early as possible.

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